

REMARKS

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2006. Currently, claims 2-13, 15-30, 32-60 are pending. Applicants have cancelled claims 1 and 31.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicated that Claims 2-13, 15-30, 32-60 are allowed.

II. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1 and 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bolle et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,546,475) in view of *Taylor* (U.S. Patent No. 6,331,871).

Applicant has cancelled claims 1 and 31 to expedite prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of cancelled claims 1 and 31 in a continuation application or other application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and a notice of allowance is requested.

III. Conclusion

The Examiner's prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should further questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501826 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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